

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action (Real Estate)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	7394	Agenda Number	34.
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Meeting Date:	July 28, 2011
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Department:	Office of Real Estate Services
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Subject

Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings for the Harris Branch Interceptor Lower A Project for a 1.160-acre tract of land for a wastewater line easement, being out of and a part of the Lucas Munos Survey No. 55, Abstract No. 513, in Travis County, Texas, in the amount of \$17,400. The owner of the needed property interests is AUSTIN HB RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES, LTD. The property is located on the east side of Harris Branch Parkway, 0.5 mile south of Parmer Lane in the northeast portion of the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility Department.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Lisa Whitworth 974-5615; Yvonne Gil 703-6637; Lauraine Rizer 974-7078; Amanda Glasscock 974-7173.
Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

The design plans for the Harris Branch Interceptor Lower A Project require the acquisition of a 1.160-acre (50,519 square foot) tract of land for a permanent wastewater line easement, being out of and a part of the Lucas Munos Survey No. 55, Abstract No. 513, in Travis County, Texas.

The Harris Branch Interceptor Lower A Project is one of two designs that will redirect by gravity flow the wastewater flows from the Harris Branch Wastewater Treatment Plant to the Wildhorse Wastewater Treatment Plant and allow for the decommissioning of the existing Harris Branch Wastewater Treatment Plant. "Lower A" consists of approximately 7,800 linear feet of 30-inch pipe, which include two creek crossings of Harris Branch Creek, one county road crossing (Boyce Lane) and one TxDOT road crossing (Parmer Lane), and connect to a manhole in the "Lower B" interceptor west of SH 130.

The City of Austin has attempted to purchase the necessary easement. The City and the property owner are unable to agree on the value of the necessary acquisition. The Law Department is requesting authorization to file an action in eminent domain on behalf of the City of Austin.